

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Branch Confirmation No.: 3205
 Application No.: 10/720,023 Group No.: 3743
 Filed: November 19, 2003 Examiner: Kari Kristen Petrik
 For: ORTHOTIC APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR USING SAME

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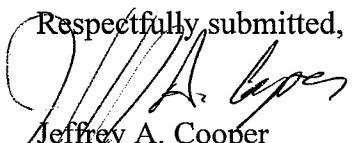
PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

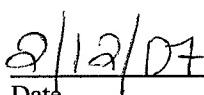
1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of one month to respond to the Office Action dated October 10, 2006.
2. Applicant is a small entity; other than a small entity.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

Total Months <u>Requested</u>	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for <u>Small Entity</u>
one month	\$120.00	\$60.00
two months	\$450.00	\$225.00
three months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
four months	\$1,590.00	\$795.00
five months*	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.

- A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
 Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee.
 All fees are being authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605 when electronically filing
 Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

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